## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of California-American Water Company (U 210 W) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct and Operate its Coastal Water Project to Resolve the Long-Term Water Supply Deficit in its Monterey District and to Recover All Present and Future Costs in Connection Therewith in Rates.

Application 04-09-019 (Filed September 20, 2004)

## ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES' RULING CONFIRMING SCHEDULE FOR INTERIM RATE RELIEF

This ruling confirms the schedule established by email on December 13, 2005 by Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Cooke regarding the schedule for the requests for interim rate relief made by California-American Water Company (Cal-Am) in this application. As discussed at the October 5, 2005 prehearing conference, this case will be addressed in stages. At this point, we are only establishing the schedule for the interim rate relief requests. ALJ Patrick will handle the interim rate relief request in this proceeding. At a later date, when more information is available about the schedule for the environmental review documents, we will issue a scoping memo and establish a schedule for testimony and hearings related to the water supply solution.

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Cal-Am served supplemental direct testimony on October 14, 2005 related to its interim rate request. Along with its testimony in support of Special Request 1 that it will serve on March 30, 2006, Cal-Am may also update its prior testimony based on the passage of time. The following schedule will be adhered to as closely as possible.

Testimony by Cal-Am in Support of Special Request 1	March 30, 2006
Testimony by Other Parties- All Interim Rate Requests	June 19, 2006
Rebuttal Testimony - All Interim Rate Requests	July 10, 2006
Public Participation Hearing in Monterey	July 18, 2006
Evidentiary Hearings - All Interim Rate Requests	July 25-August 3, 2006
Opening Briefs - All Interim Rate Requests	August 25, 2006
Reply Briefs - All Interim Rate Requests	September 15, 2006
Proposed Decision- All Interim Rate Requests	November 14, 2006
Commission Decision- All Interim Rate Requests	December 14, 2006

As described in my prior rulings, all formally filed documents must currently be filed in hard copy with the Commission's Docket Office. In order to ensure timely delivery of documents and conserve resources, we will follow the electronic service protocols adopted by the Commission in Rule 2.3.1 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rule). This Rule requires service of documents to be performed electronically, in a searchable format, unless the appearance or state service list member did not provide an email address. If no email address was provided, service should be made by United States mail. Parties should provide concurrent e-mail service to ALL persons on the service

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list, including those listed under "Information Only." Any document that is filed MUST also be served electronically. Testimony is entered into the record through the evidentiary hearing process and for that reason is only served, NOT filed.

E-mail communication about this case should include, at a minimum, the following information on the subject line of the e-mail: A.04-09-019- Coastal Water Project. In addition, the party sending the e-mail should briefly describe the attached communication, for example, Brief.

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that:

- 1. The schedule described above is adopted.
- 2. The electronic service protocols adopted by the Commission in Rule 2.3.1 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure shall govern this proceeding.
- 3. E-mail communication about this case shall include, at a minimum, the following information on the subject line of the e-mail: A.04-09-019- Coastal Water Project.

Dated March 29, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ BERTRAM PATRICK
Bertram Patrick
Administrative Law Judge

/s/ MICHELLE COOKE

Michelle Cooke

Administrative Law Judge

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judges' Ruling Confirming Schedule for Interim Rate Relief on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record. Dated March 29, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

Janet V. Alviar	

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